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OF THE  
OFFICERS AND CADETS  
OF THE  
VIRGINIA  
MILITARY INSTITUTE,  
LEXINGTON, VA.

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JULY, 1844.

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## NOTE.

Names marked \* are officially reported to the Executive, conformably to a regulation which requires the names of the most distinguished Cadets, not exceeding two in each class, to be reported for this purpose at each annual examination.

Names marked † were found *deficient*, and turned back to recommence the studies of their respective classes.

## FIRST CLASS, (GRADUATES,) 1844.

<i>General Merit.</i>	<i>Names.</i>	<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Merit in</i>									<i>Remarks.</i>
			<i>Mathematics.</i>	<i>French.</i>	<i>Drawing.</i>	<i>Engineering.</i>	<i>Nat. Philosophy.</i>	<i>Tactics.</i>	<i>English.</i>	<i>Chemistry.</i>	<i>Conduct.</i>	
*1	J. H. Pitts,	Essex,	1	3	6	2	2	3	1	2	5	Asst.Pro.
*2	M. McKennie,	Albemarle,	2	4	1	1	1	3	4	1	6	Lieut.
3	A. C. Cummings,	Washington,	3	5	7	2	3	1	2	3	4	Or. Mast.
4	J. A. Campbell,	do.	4	6	5	5	4	1	2	3	1	Capt.
5	G. A. Porterfield,	Berkeley,	5	7	2	4	5	3	5	6	3	Adj.
6	J. S. Burks,	Bedford,	7	1	9	7	6	3	9	5	2	Lieut.
7	Edmund Taylor,	Caroline,	6	2	8	6	7	7	5	8	7	Qr. Mast.
8	W. H. Richardson,	Henrico,	9	7	4	8	9	8	8	9	8	Lieut.
9	J. B. Clemens,	Ohio,	8	8	3	9	8	8	7	7	9	Lieut.



## SECOND CLASS—1844.

<i>General Merit.</i>	<i>Names.</i>	<i>Counties.</i>	<i>Merit in</i>					<i>Remarks.</i>
			<i>Mathematics.</i>	<i>Latin.</i>	<i>Drawing.</i>	<i>French.</i>	<i>Conduct.</i>	
*1	H. T. Lee,	Frederick,	1	2	3	1	1	Asst. Prof.
*2	R. T. W. Duke,	Albemarle,	1	1	8	5	1	Asst. Prof.
3	H. B. Hill,	Buckingham,	7	3	11	3	1	Q. M. Sergt.
4	J. B. Sherrard,	Hampshire,	3	10	7	8	1	Sergt. Maj.
5	D. A. Langhorne,	Campbell,	3	9	13	12	1	Sergeant.
6	R. H. Simpson,	Warren,	5	6	14	7	7	Corporal.
7	J. S. Meredith,	Richmond,	11	5	10	2	7	Ord. Serg't.
7	W. H. Wheelwright,	Westmoreland,	10	3	18	4	9	Sergeant.
9	W. H. Baker,	Frederick,	9	11	5	10	11	Corporal.
10	Caleb Boggess,	Harrison,	5	19	1	17	1	Sergeant.
11	R. M. Wiley,	Botetourt,	15	6	17	11	10	Corporal.
12	A. H. Powell,	Brunswick,	14	5	21	6	16	Sergeant.
13	H. W. Williamson,	Norfolk,	8	20	6	21	17	
14	D. S. Lee,	Shenandoah,	12	18	4	18	15	Col. Serg't.
15	J. R. Cabell,	Pittsylvania,	21	15	16	14	13	Corporal.
16	V. T. Churchman,	Augusta,	18	17	12	22	14	"
17	J. P. Mason,	Rappahannock	20	11	15	15	18	Sergeant.
18	W. H. Stith,	Richmond,	16	22	9	13	19	Corporal.
19	J. B. Moomau,	Pendleton,	22	26	2	20	11	
20	E. M. Anthony,	Botetourt,	13	13	22	9	20	
21	R. L. Walker,	Albemarle,	17	14	20	16	22	
22	W. H. Harrison,	Richmond,	19	11	19	19	21	

## THIRD CLASS—1844.

General Merit.	Names.	Counties.	Merit in					Remarks.
			Mathematics.	Latin.	French.	Drawing.	Conduct.	
*1	T. B. Robertson,	Henrico,	1	1	2	8	1	
*2	R. E. Colston,	Berkely,	2	7	1	1	16	
3	G. F. Dabney,	Louisa,	2	2	3	20	1	
4	J. C. Porter,	Orange,	5	6	5	6	5	
5	G. W. Bruce,	Frederick,	4	9	9	3	6	
6	J. Q. Marr,	Fauquier,	8	3	7	17	1	
7	J. M. Patton,	Richard,	7	4	6	7	17	
8	Edward Goode,	Bedford,	14	5	3	17	11	
9	R. H. Keeling,	Richmond city,	15	12	14	2	1	
10	A. C. Layne,	Alleghany,	12	18	11	4	9	
11	R. Mills,	Richmond city,	9	19	8	14	8	
†	R. Tylor,	P. William,	16	10	13	24	10	
†	J. W. Goodman,	Goochland,	11	23	12	12	14	
13	W. A. Ruff,	Rockbridge,	21	11	18	9	11	
15	L. T. Menefee,	Rappahannock,	6	21	22	20	18	
16	W. J. Green,	Stafford,	13	7	10	9	24	
17	T. B. Baber,	King George,	18	13	23	5	21	
18	P. A. Fitzhugh,	Middlesex,	17	16	19	22	7	
19	W. C. Leyburn,	Rockbridge,	20	14	16	17	20	
†20	J. C. Cumings,	do.	23	15	15	22	15	
21	S. McGrew,	Preston,	19	22	20	14	13	
†22	W. Downs,	Rockbridge,	22	20	16	14	19	
†23	D. W. Meredith,	Brunswick,	24	17	21	12	23	
†24	W. C. Dunnivant,	Richmond,	10	24	24	11	22	
25	J. A. Pack,	Giles,						absent with
26	E. Taylor, of H.	Hanover,						leave.

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## NEW CADETS APPOINTED JULY, 1844.

1	1. Andrew L. Pitzer;	-	-	-	Roanoke.
2	2. J. P. Welch;	-	-	-	Madison.
3	3. R. A. Gray,	-	-	-	Rockingham.
4	4. R. H. Sinton;	-	-	-	Henrico.
5	5. R. H. Burks;	-	-	-	Botetourt.
6	6. J. Y. Page,	-	-	-	Clarke.
7	7. D. L. Powell,	-	-	-	Loudoun.
n.c.	8. G. W. North,	-	-	-	Campbell.
8	9. W. Mahone,	-	-	-	Southampton.
n.c.	10. A. C. Keaton,	-	-	-	Elizabeth City.
9	11. P. E. Tabb,	-	-	-	Gloucester.
10	12. J. C. Moncure,	-	-	-	Stafford.
11	13. R. C. Trigg, X	-	-	-	Montgomery.
12	14. Francis Scott,	-	-	-	Fauquier.
13	15. B. Chrisman,	-	-	-	Rockingham.
14	16. A. D. Lewis,	-	-	-	Kanawha.
15	17. T. J. Green,	-	-	-	Halifax.
16	18. H. B. Smyth,	-	-	-	Wythe.
17	19. William M. Nelson,	-	-	-	Clarke.
18	20. Andrew Jackson,	-	-	-	Dinwiddie.
19	21. I. W. Smith,	-	-	-	Fairfax.
20	22. A. Cockayne,	-	-	-	Marshall.
21	23. R. B. Moorman,	-	-	-	Greenbrier.
22	24. J. R. Mason,	-	-	-	Brunswick.
23	25. B. J. Nalle,	-	-	-	Culpeper.
24	26. R. P. Waring,	-	-	-	Essex.
25	27. R. Archer,	-	-	-	Elizabeth City.
26	28. J. M. Claytor,	-	-	-	Campbell.
27	29. J. M. Southall,	-	-	-	Albemarle.
28	30. A. Southall,	-	-	-	Amelia.

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No.	Names.	Class.	Demerit.	No.	Names.	Class.	Demerit.
1	J. S. Burks,	1	0	30	S. McGrew,	3	22
2	J. A. Campbell,	1	0	31	J. A. Cumings,	3	24
3	Caleb Boggess,	1	0	32	D. S. Lee,	2	30
4	R. T. W. Duke,	2	0	33	R. E. Colston,	3	33
5	H. B. Hill,	2	0	34	Ed. Taylor of C.,	1	34
6	D. A. Langhorne,	2	0	35	W. H. Baker,	2	39
7	H. T. Lee,	2	0	36	J. B. Moomau,	2	39
8	J. B. Sherrard,	2	0	37	J. M. Patton,	3	39
9	G. F. Dabney,	3	0	38	L. T. Menefee,	3	40
10	R. H. Keeling,	3	0	39	W. Downs,	3	44
11	J. G. Marr,	3	0	40	W. H. Richardson,	1	45
12	T. B. Robertson,	3	0	41	W. C. Leyburn,	3	46
13	G. A. Porterfield,	1	0	42	J. R. Cabell,	2	52
14	J. C. Porter,	6	3	43	V. T. Churchman,	2	53
15	R. H. Simpson,	2	8	44	T. B. Baber,	3	56
16	J. S. Meredith,	2	8	45	A. H. Powell,	2	70
17	J. H. Pitts,	1	9	46	H. W. Williamson,	2	71
18	P. A. Fitzhugh,	3	11	47	W. C. Dunnivant,	3	74
19	W. H. Wheelright,	2	11	48	D. W. Meredith,	3	83
20	J. W. Goodman,	3	12	49	J. P. Mason,	2	88
21	A. C. Cummings,	1	13	50	W. H. Stith,	2	107
22	M. McKennie,	1	13	52	J. B. Clemens,	1	130
23	G. W. Bruce,	3	15	52	E. M. Anthony,	2	182
24	R. M. Wiley,	2	16	53	W. H. Harrison,	2	185
25	R. Mills,	3	18	54	R. L. Walker,	2	191
26	A. C. Layne,	3	19	55	W. J. Green,	2	192
27	R. Tyler,	3	20	56	E. Taylor of H.,	} Absent with leave.	
28	W. A. Ruff,	3	21	57	J. A. Pack,		
29	Ed. Goode,	3	21				

# EXPLANATION

## OF THE

### CONDUCT ROLL.

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All offences against Orders or Regulations are recorded.

These offences are divided into seven grades; each of which comprises offences of nearly the same degree of criminality.

The degree of criminality of offences of each grade is expressed by a number, as follows :

Offences of the 1st grade by 10

“	“	2d	“	8
“	“	3d	“	5
“	“	4th	“	4
“	“	5th	“	3
“	“	6th	“	2
“	“	7th	“	1

For each year (after the first year) that a Cadet has been a member of the Institute, his offences are made to count more, by adding to the number expressing the degree of criminality, of each offence, one sixth for the second year—and one third for the third year.

At the end of the Academic year, these numbers are added up, and the sum thus obtained, is that found in the column of '*demerit*.'

When a Cadet has more than 200 demerit in any one year, he is *dismissed*.

## GRADUATES OF THE VA. MILITARY INSTITUTE, SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION.

1842.

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|----------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| *1. W. D. Fair,      | Amherst,    | Teaching in Amherst.    |
| *2. W. H. Henderson, | Loudoun,    |                         |
| 3. J. B. Strange,    | Fluvanna,   | Teaching in Norfolk.    |
| 4. T. J. B. Cramer,  | Frederick,  | “ Richmond.             |
| 5. E. Pendleton,     | Botetourt,  |                         |
| 6. J. H. Lawrence,   | Caroline,   | Teaching in Roanoke.    |
| 7. W. M. Elliot,     | Buckingham, | “ Buckingham.           |
| 8. J. H. Jameson,    | Culpeper,   |                         |
| 9. C. C. Deyerle,    | Montgomery, | Teaching in Montgomery. |
| 10. J. T. Smith,     | Norfolk,    |                         |
| 11. W. Forbes,       | Richmond,   | Teaching in Richmond.   |
| 12. V. C. Saunders,  | Loudoun,    | “ Frederick.            |
| 13. J. W. Bell,      | Augusta,    |                         |
| 14. O. M. Knight,    | Nottoway,   |                         |
| 15. Jas. Marshall,   | Warren,     | Teaching in Warren.     |
| 16. L. A. Garnett,   | Essex,      |                         |

1843.

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| *1. N. H. Campbell, | Bedford,      |                         |
| *2 J. B. Dorman,    | Rockbridge,   | Teaching in Gloucester. |
| 3 J. W. Wildman,    | Loudoun,      | “ Fredericksburg.       |
| 4. H. T. Barton,    | Spôtsylvania, |                         |
| 5. W. J. Warden,    | Augusta,      |                         |
| 6. W. C. Jeffress,  | Nottoway,     |                         |
| 7. J. C. Wills,     | I. of Wight,  | Teaching in V. M. I.    |



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| 8. V. H. Rodes,       | Campbell,    |                         |
| 9. J. L. Bryan,       | Petersburg,  | Teaching in Petersburg, |
| 10. E. Winston,       | Amherst,     | " Bedford.              |
| 11. W. S. Beale,      | Shenandoah,  |                         |
| 12. J. T. Washington, | Westmorel'd, |                         |
| 13. G. W. Williams,   | Roanoke,     | Teaching.               |

## 1844.

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|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| *1. J. H. Pitts,      | Essex,      | To teach in Essex. |
| *2. M. McKennie,      | Albemarle,  |                    |
| 3. A. C. Cummings,    | Washington, |                    |
| 4. J. A. Campbell,    | do.         |                    |
| 5. G. A. Porterfield, | Berkely,    | To teach in Bath.  |
| 6. J. S. Burks,       | Bedford,    |                    |
| 7. E. Taylor,         | Caroline,   |                    |
| 8. W. H. Richardson,  | Henrico,    |                    |
| 9. J. B. Clemens,     | Ohio,       |                    |

## REMARKS.

THE VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE was established, and is supported by the State of Virginia. An arsenal containing 30,000 stand of arms is located here, which was formerly guarded by a company of enlisted soldiers, at an annual expense of about \$6000. In 1839, this appropriation was transferred to the support of a company of cadets, who in addition to their duties as a guard should also be placed under a course of instruction, upon the basis of the U. S. Military Academy at West Point. Upon this new system the Institute has been in successful operation for 5 years. The cadets admitted consist of two classes, *State* and *pay* cadets. The Institute supplies to the State cadet his board, tuition, fuel, lights, books, mattress, medical attendance and stationary, and in consideration thereof is required to teach 2 years after graduation. The Pay cadet is at his own expense, which averages \$250 per year, for every charge, *including clothing*. The State cadets are selected from those who are unable to bear their own expenses. The Institution has always had as many pupils as its buildings would accommodate, and numbers 27 *State* and 43 *Pay* cadets. Applications are made by letter to the Superintendent prior to the first of July, each year, and appointments are made for both classes of cadets, by the Board of Visitors, respect being had to their due apportionment among the several districts of the State.

The Literary Fund of the State contributes \$1500 per year to the Institute for the education of teachers, and the State has received tuition fees from the pay cadets to the amount of \$5000 since its organization.

SYNOPSIS OF COURSE OF STUDIES AT V. M. INSTITUTE,  
JULY, 1844.

	DEPARTMENTS	INSTRUCTORS.	TEXT BOOKS.
FIRST CLASS.	Natural Philosophy and Chemistry.	Prof's. Smith & Armstrong.	Boucharlat's Mechanics; Turner's Chemistry; Herschel's Astronomy and Lectures.
	Rhetoric and English Literature.	Prof. Preston.	Blair's Lectures; Murray's Grammar, and Lectures on English Literature, by Prof.
	Eng'g and sci. of War. Infantry tactics.	Prof. Williamson.	Mahan's Engineering and Lectures; Scott's Tactics.
SECOND CLASS.	Mathematics.	Prof. Smith.	Davies' Shades and Shadows, Boucharlat's Dif. and Int. Calculus; Smith's Biot's Analytical Geom.; Davies' Des. Geom.
	French and Latin.	Prof. Preston.	Gil Blas; Cooper's Virgil; Cicero and Horace.
	Drawing.	Prof. Williamson.	Human Figure; Topography.
THIRD CLASS.	Mathematics.	Prof. Smith, Ass't Prof. Wills and Cadet Duke.	Davies' Bourdon's Algebra; Davies' Legendre's Geometry. Smith's Biot's Analytical Geometry; Davies' Des. Geom.
	French and Latin.	Prof. Preston. Cadets Pitts and Lee.	Levizac's French Grammar; Bullion's Latin Grammar;—Clark's Cæsar.
	Drawing.	Professor Williamson.	Human Figure.

NOTE.—The cadets are occupied daily in military exercises, but at such hours as not to interfere with their regular studies. During the months of July and August they are in camp, when their duties are *exclusively military*.



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$$\begin{array}{r} 555 \\ 18.50 \\ \underline{572.50} \\ 675 \\ \underline{1248.50} \end{array}$$

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*Virginia Military Institute,*

*Lexington, Va., July, 1844.*

By order of COL. F. H. SMITH.

Signed,

G. A. PORTERFIELD, *Adjutant.*